

strengthen my rationale as expressed in the analysis above. Time spent in the same general location is not the same as time spent together. Just as talking to someone is not necessarily communicating with that person. I believe the entire basis of these findings is flawed. Those orchestrating the studies confuse commonality with comfort. Like two New Yorkers passing on the street, many of us have never been intimate with someone of another race. And without intimacy, we have no reason to feel comfortable. Nor do we have the right to expect an accurate eyewitness ID.

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In my three years
at Howard, I
learned so many
things that I didn't
know I didn't
know. I learned
about locks and
cornrows, braids
and fades. I
learned the
difference
between high yella
and red-boned
and brown-
skinned and dark-
skinned. My life
experience does
not allow me to
accept the finding
that these
discoveries do not
make me more
likely to correctly
identify a black
assailant than a
white person
without a similar
experience.

In that respect, I
believe cross-
racial IDs will
become less of a
problem as
America matures
and we get closer
to Martin Luther
King Jr.'s dream.

At this time, however, the unreliability of cross-racial IDs is particularly troublesome. One in three black males between the ages of twenty and twenty-nine is under judicial supervision in this country. And while only five percent of the U.S. population, black males make up more than half of America's prisoners. We must explore the various measures available to help ameliorate the harm caused by inaccurate cross-racial IDs. Innocent people have been, and continue to be, stripped of their liberty simply because "they all look alike."

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article is
dedicated to all
those falsely
imprisoned due to
an inaccurate
eyewitness
identification. Our
collective soul is
marred by your
injustice. And no
subsequent
remedy can repay
you for the pain
you've suffered or
the life you've
lost. However, let
us begin with an
apology and an
oath to never
again permit such
injustice.

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